

**Only Unity Can Sustain Essence Of Merdeka - Perlis MB
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KANGAR, Aug 31 (Bernama) -- Perlis Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Dr Md Isa Sabu said the people should remain united to safeguard the essence of Merdeka (independence).

"Merdeka is a priceless gift nurtured for more than half a century through unity," he said speaking at the birthday celebration for Merdeka children at the residence of Mukim Arau 1Malaysia Community chairman Zainuddin Hashim here Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Zainuddin said the event, organised with the cooperation of the area's Rukun Tetangga sector, was to gather about 600 people born on Aug 31 between 1957 and 2004 in Perlis based on the National Registration Department records.

He planned to make the celebration an annual event as a reminder of the significance of Merdeka that had transformed life for the better for the people.

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